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PATENT



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Applicant: Andrew W. MARSDEN                      Conf. No.: Not yet assigned  
Serial No.: 10/698,613                                  Art Unit: Not yet assigned  
Filed: October 31, 2003                                Examiner: Not yet assigned  
For: CORD SHORTENER

**SUPPLEMENTAL SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97 & §1.98**  
**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

To comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are resubmitting information related to the entry at line AY in the original Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on November 25, 2003. The enclosed sheets of color photographs are, therefore, a supplement to our November 25, 2003 IDS. The prior art device that was attached to the November 25, 2003 IDS was denied entry by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and returned to Applicant's representative with a December 29, 2003 memo (copy attached). Applicant notes that, because the previously submitted prior art device was rejected, the attached (16) sheets of color photographs including various views and angles of the above-referenced device and of the device's packaging, are submitted herewith to the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 10-0435 (20341/72630).

Respectfully submitted,  
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DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

December 29, 2003

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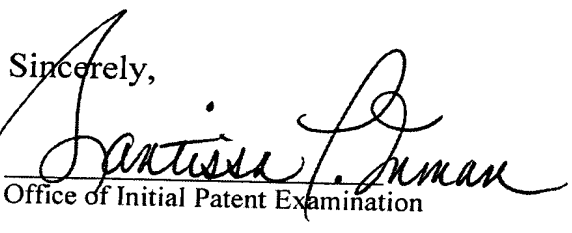
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Dear Sirs,

The Patent and Trademark Office received on November 25, 2003, your Transmittal Correspondence (*Submission under 37 CFR, 1.56, 1.97 & 1.98 Information Disclosure Statement*), and your prototype. However, your mode/device is being returned to you because The Office policy is **not to accept** models unless requested by the examiner.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact our Customer Service Branch at (703) 308-1202.

Sincerely,

  
Office of Initial Patent Examination

Enclosure(s)



<b>FORM PTO-1449</b>  <b>LIST OF DOCUMENTS CITED BY APPLICANT</b> <i>(Use several sheets if necessary)</i>	<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE</b> <b>PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</b>	<b>ATTY DOCKET No.</b> 20341/72630	<b>SERIAL No.</b> 10/698,613
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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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**OTHER PRIOR ART** *(Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)*

	AY	(16) sheets of color photographs of Cord Short'ner device and packaging (that was submitted with 11/25/03 IDS)
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EXAMINER:

DATE CONSIDERED:

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.